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# Worthwhile FLOWERING SHRUBS

1937

*Special List of Rare and Unusual Plants at  
Attractive prices*

**A. M. LEONARD & SON**

*Established 1885*

PIQUA,

OHIO



*Japanese Tree Lilac* (Syringa japonica)

This Lilac blooms in June, long after the old fashioned and French Hybrid Lilacs have finished, and therefore never injured by frost. The snowy fleecy-white flowers are produced in large erect symmetrical clusters; and when not in bloom the deep green foliage makes this a handsome plant of highest ornamental qualities. Grows 10 to 12 feet high, bush-like as illustrated or tree-form.

3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.50 F. O. B. Piqua

5 to 6 ft. Specimen Plants, \$1.50 each, F. O. B. Piqua.

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# Worthwhile Plants for 1937

Fifty-two years ago A. M. Leonard started a little Nursery in his back yard in Piqua, when back yards took in the better part of an acre. From the beginning Mr. Leonard was interested in new varieties and cultivated acquaintance of a number of European growers from whom he obtained the parent stock of many of the plants we offer in this Booklet.

In response to the growing interest in Unusual Plants we are repeating for 1937 many of our original introductory offers. And we cannot think of any investment which will bring greater pleasure and relaxation. Most of the illustrations and all of the descriptions are our own; and yet we know that we have failed to convey the full beauty of some of these plants.

**Terms of Payment.** Strictly cash with order, your personal check, money order, or dollar bills for amounts less than ten dollars if you wish.

If your order is for **Plants priced both F. O. B. Piqua and Postpaid** (1) we will ship Express Collect and furnish larger plants as a postage benefit, or (2) we will prepay the transportation charges and advise you of the difference. Or we will be glad to give you the delivered cost of your order before you remit.

**Reduced Express Rates.** Plant material now takes the 2nd Class Rate, 25% lower than for merchandise. We always ship by Express if less than by Parcel Post (Postpaid simply means delivered).

Notice to Ohio Customers only—Add 3% Sales Tax to the amount of your order.

**QUANTITY RATES**—Where prices are given for single plants only, six plants of a kind take the price of five. This rule applies to the entire Booklet.

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## **Brilliant Golden-bell** (*Forsythia intermedia spectabilis*).

In the South the Forsythia is known as "Hurls of Spring", the eagerly awaited forerunner of Spring flowering shrubs. **Spectabilis** is the upright type, and the most brilliant; each branch is densely packed with the golden, 4-petaled little bells. A fast growing shrub for either sun or shade.

- 2 to 3 ft. Plants, special mailing size, Two for \$1.00 Postpaid
- 3 to 4 ft. Plants, extra heavy, \$0.50 each; 3 for \$1.35 F. O. B. Piqua
- 4 to 5 ft. Plants, extra heavy, \$0.75 each; 3 for \$2.00 F. O. B. Piqua
- 6 to 8 ft. Plants, extra heavy, \$1.50 each; 3 for \$4.00 F. O. B. Piqua



# A Winter Garden

In response to many requests we have prepared this special list of hardy shrubs which bloom during January, February, March and early April, and before their leaves appear.

## Cornelian Cherry

(*Cornus mas*).

1. Blossoms in March at the very beginning of the Spring season, hardly waiting for the snow to go; flowers not injured by frost.
2. A neat upright dwarfish tree (10 to 15 ft.)
3. Deep green leaves all summer; plum-like fruits attract birds.
4. Excellent for shady locations that are difficult to plant. Also thrives in sun and city atmosphere.

3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$1.00 each;  
3 for \$2.50

4 to 5 ft. Plants, \$1.50 each;  
3 for \$3.75

All F. O. B. Piqua.

2 to 3 ft. mailing size, \$0.85 each,  
Postpaid.



*Cornelian Cherry bursting out with its bright yellow flowers.*

## Vernal Witch-hazel (*Hamamelis vernalis*).

On mild January days the first flowers appear, yellow petals, reddish towards the base. This unusual shrub blooms over a period of three months, emitting the delightful spicy odor of almonds. 2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.35 each, Postpaid.

## Winter-flowering Witch-hazel (*Hamamelis mollis*).

This rare Chinese Witch-hazel blooms in February or early March, and the flowers of no other Witch-hazel are so large and beautiful. The long leaves are strongly veined and clothed with soft woolly hairs on the underside, turning to brilliant shades of yellow and orange before falling in November. Prefers a moist soil of loam, peat and sand.

2 ft. Plants, \$2.35 each, Postpaid.

**Spring Heath** (*Erica carnea*) A dwarf shrub that resembles a rosy pin cushion from Christmas to April.

2 Yr. Clump, \$0.90 ea., Postpaid.

## Winter Honeysuckle

(*Lonicera fragrantissima*)

The first of the Bush Honeysuckles to bloom, creamy-white flowers with the delicious Honeysuckle smell; and the dark green, leathery leaves are almost evergreen.

Two, 2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.00

Two, 3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$1.40

Postpaid.

**Winter Jasmine** (*Jasminum nudiflorum*). Yellow bells on viny stems; blooms in February if it is

a warm month. 2 Year Plants, \$0.75 each, Postpaid.

**Wintersweet** (*Meratia* or *Calycanthus praecox*). A Chinese relative of the Sweet Shrub with a very similar fragrance and habit of growth. The flowers are lemon-yellow striped with purplish-brown, blooming over a period of 4 weeks in January or Feb. Requires winter protection north of Cincinnati.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.75 each, Postpaid.



*The golden-yellow flowers of the Winter-flowering Witch-hazel*



*Winter Jasmine*



# *A Winter Garden*

## *February Daphne*

(*Daphne mezereum rubrum*).

A small shrub suitable for the Rock Garden; in February or the early March the stout little branches are thickly set with deep red, fragrant flowers. Following the bloom the light yellow leaves make a pleasing contrast. Enjoys partial shade, and a well drained soil.

**Bushy 12 to 15 in. Plants, \$0.90 each;  
or 3 for \$2.25 Postpaid.**

## *Springscent*

(*Fothergilla major*)

In order to create a greater interest in this worthwhile hardy shrub the Arnold Arboretum prepared a special bulletin (Dec. 29, 1933) and from which we give the description.

"The cream-white flowers are borne in Spring, just as the leaves are unfolding. They are massed in tight little plumes at the ends of short, upright branches, each little plume being made up of many individual flowers, whose long, milk-white stamens are their most conspicuous feature. During the summer Fothergillas are surprisingly similar to their cousins, the Witch-hazels. As Autumn comes on, they again show their individuality by coloring most brilliantly—some pure yellow, others deeply overlaid with brilliant crimson."

Springscent can be grown in any good garden soil, but applications of peat and sand are beneficial.

**12 to 18 in. Plants, \$1.75 each; 3 for \$4.00 Postpaid.**

**18 to 24 in. Clumps, \$2.85 each; 3 for \$7.75 F. O. B. Piqua**

With each order for 3 or more plants we will send you the above mentioned Bulletin of the Arnold Arboretum and which includes a finely engraved insert.



*Like the Robin, February Daphne is the harbinger of Spring*



*Springscent*



# Spring Debutante

(*Prunus cerasifera blieriana*)

A dwarf tree (10 to 15 ft.) of symmetrical shape whose straight slender branches are laden with salmon-pink rosettes, making its blooming period of 3 to 4 weeks in April an unforgettable event. After the flowers have been out for a while the young coppery foliage makes its appearance.

Plant one or more of these trees, either in a prominent place on the lawn or as an accent in the garden. The flowers are excellent for cutting, and the purple foliage persists all summer.

## Prices for Spring Debutante

3 to 4 ft. Trees, \$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.25

4 to 5 ft. Trees, \$1.50 each; 3 for \$4.00

6 to 8 ft. Trees, \$1.95 each; 3 for \$5.25

F. O. B. Piqua

## Cheer for the House

In February and early March cut a few branches of Brilliant Goldenbell, Spring Debutante, Cornelian Cherry, Witch-hazel or the Japanese Flowering Quince and place in a vase. The buds will swell into lasting bloom.



*The salmon-pink flowers of Spring Debutante appear as little rosettes.*



*One of the Flowering Crabs*

## Flowering Crabs

The rare beauty of these two Flowering Crabs is bound to enthrall even the most sophisticated. They are at home in the most modest Cottage Garden as well as in the most ornate Formal Garden.

### Scheidecker Crab (*Malus scheideckeri*).

An early flowering pyramidal tree, unusually exciting because the rose-pink flowers (often semi-double) are borne the full length of the branches in bottle-brush formation. In autumn bright yellow fruits dangle from every stem.

**Blooming size Plants, 3 to 4 ft., \$1.00 each.**

**5 to 6 ft., \$1.50 each, F. O. B. Piqua**

### Eley Flowering Crab (*Malus purpurea eleyi*)

A new Hybrid, having been raised by Mr. Charles Eley at his English home (Bergholt, Suffolk). Clusters of bright red, dish-shaped flowers—larger and prettier than the well known *Malus floribunda*—followed by very conspicuous fruit of a rich reddish color. Leaves are bright red early in the season. **4 ft. Trees, \$1.00 each, F.O.B. Piqua.**



# Springtime in the Garden

## Japanese Flowering Quince

(Cydonia japonica)

The new and rare colors we are offering have promoted this old favorite to first place in the modern garden.

### Apple-blossom Pink.

One of the loveliest new colors, so different from the old red Japonica.

**Strong 3 ft. Plants, \$2.25 each, F. O. B. Piqua**

### Blood-red (Cydonia japonica rubra grandiflora)

Deep blood-red, the largest flowers of all.

**2 to 3 ft. Plants,**

**\$1.75 each,**

**3 to 4 ft. Plants,**

**\$2.25 each,**

**All F. O. B. Piqua.**

### Coral-glow

(C. jap. corallina).

Flowers are a sensational salmon-apricot or coral color, borne in astounding profusion. New.

**1 to 1½ ft. Plants,**

**\$1.75 each, Postpaid.**

### Crimson-flowering

(C. japonica sanguinea).

Deep red flowers, but so different from the old red or scarlet Japonica, and for good measure it blooms both spring and fall. Spreading and nearly evergreen.

**1½ to 2 ft. Plants, \$1.50 each, Postpaid.**

**2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.95 each, F. O. B. Piqua.**

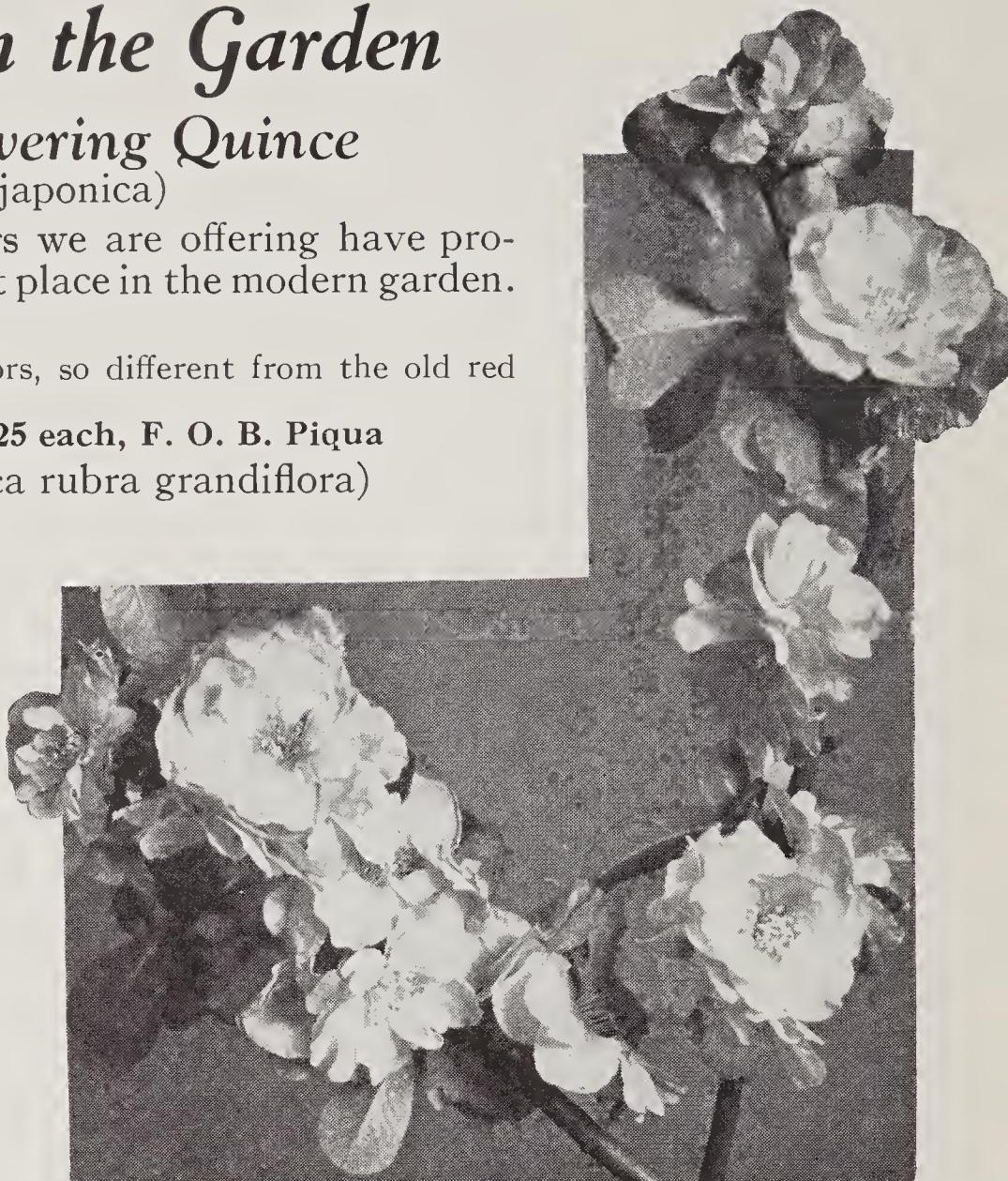
### Rose-pink (Cydonia japonica marmorata).

On opening the flowers resemble apple-blossoms, changing to a soft rose-pink. Pinkish fruits.

**1½ to 2 ft. Plants, \$1.50 each, Postpaid**

### White-flowering (C. japonica nivalis). Pure white flowers. Very rare.

**1½ to 2 ft. Plants, \$1.50 ea., Postpaid. 2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.95 ea., F. O. B. Piqua.**



*The Japanese Flowering Quince sounds the first color note of Spring.*



*The Shadblows*

## Rock Garden Varieties

### Alpine Japanese Quince

(C. alpina superba).

Fiery, orange-red flowers; large attractive fruits. **18 inch Plants, \$1.00 each, 2 for \$1.75, Postpaid.**

### Leonard Velvety Japanese Quince.

Deep, velvety-red flowers lasting about twice as long as the others. **Strong Plants with 2 ft. spread, \$2.50 each, F. O. B. Piqua**

### Maule Japanese Quince

(C. jap. maulei).

Brick-red flowers; low compact growth and small fruits.

**1½ to 2 ft. Bushy Plants, \$1.25 each, Postpaid.**



# Springtime

## Showy Pearlbush

(*Exochorda giraldi wilsoni*)

We held back this new and handsome variety of the Pearlbush until we were perfectly certain of its hardiness. The gleaming pearl-like buds open in April and May, disclosing delicate star-shaped flowers. This namesake of Dr. Wilson bears larger flowers than the common Pearlbush, and is of more upright and floriferous habit. Prune heavily after blooming; grows 6 to 10 ft.

**Heavy 3 to 4 ft. Plants,  
\$2.35 each, F. O. B. Piqua**



*Showy Pearlbush in bloom at the  
Arnold Arboretum*

## Beauty Bush

(*Kolkwitzia amabilis*)

A new shrub from China which became popular almost over night. In June the slender branches are borne down with large clusters of small pink, Weigela-like flowers. Grows to 6 ft.

**2 to 3 ft., Plants, \$0.75 each,  
Three for \$2.00, Postpaid.  
3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$0.85 each,  
F. O. B. Piqua.**

## Pink Double Flowering Almond

An old garden favorite which likes a sunny place in the border. You need never worry about suckers from our own root plants.

**18 to 24 in. Plants, \$0.60 each;  
or 2 for \$1.00 Postpaid.  
2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.90 each,  
Postpaid.**



*The Weigela-like flowers of Beauty Bush*

## Shadbush or Shadblow (*Amelanchier canadensis*).

The April landscape would be drab indeed without the Shadblows. The slender branchlets of delicate tracery are wreathed in the snowy-whiteness of the blooms. The leaves, unfolding at the same time, are usually clothed with a white floss of hairs, heightening the floral effect of this very hardy, tree-like shrub.

**2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.75 each, Postpaid.**



# For Summer Bloom

As nearly all of the better known shrubs bloom in the Spring, many gardens are devoid of flowers during the summer months when they can be enjoyed the most. The following worthwhile shrubs have this summer-flowering appeal.

## Oakleaf Hydrangea

(*Hydrangea quercifolia*)

This is the Aristocrat of the Hydrangeas, not to be confused with the common dooryard variety. Its large substantial leaves resemble the oak leaf; attractive paniced blooms appear in early summer, and the autumn coloring is almost beyond description. Not hard to grow; only its scarcity has kept it in the background. The one shrub we recommend for that shadiest place, if not too dry.



*Oakleaf Hydrangea*

12 to 15 in. Plants, \$0.50 each;  
3 for \$1.25 Postpaid.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.75 each;  
3 for \$2.00 F. O. B. Piqua

## Summer-Plumes

(*Spiraea richmensis*)

Unlike the common Bridal Wreath (*Spiraea van houttei*) this Spirea blooms in the months of July and August, dark pink flowers, larger than the Douglas Spirea. You will want this arching shrub in your border planting.

18 to 24 in. Slender Plants,  
\$0.50 each; or 3 for \$1.25  
Postpaid

Extra heavy 3 to 4 ft.  
Plants, \$0.85 each,  
F. O. B. Piqua



*Summer-Plumes.*

## Blue Rose Of Sharon

This Single Blue Althea is the Aristocrat of all the Altheas.

The color of this large single-flowering Althea is a clear and distinct blue. Use it for an accent, singly or a group of three; or use it anywhere you want a narrow, upright shrub that will never outgrow its location. This summer-blooming shrub has been in such demand that we seldom have enough to go around.



*Rose of Sharon*

18 to 24 in. Plants, \$0.75 each; 2 to 3 Plants, \$0.90 each; Postpaid



# For Summer Bloom

## Mountain Stewartia

(*Stewartia pentagyna*)

A rare native shrub or tree-like shrub of untold beauty. Blooms the end of June or early July, the flowers measuring 3 to 4½ in. across, with orange-colored anthers. Prefers a peat and loam soil, moist, and partial shade—or a simulation of its natural habitat in the woods. 2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.25 ea.

2 for \$2.00 Postpaid.

## Shrubby St. Johns-wort

(*Hypericum prolificum*)

A delicately branched shrub thickly set with bright yellow flowers in August. Grows 3 to 4 ft; thrives in sun or partial shade.

18 to 24 in. Plants, \$0.65 ea.

3 for \$1.60 Postpaid



*The captivating bloom of Mountain Stewartia*

## Heavenly Blue Vitex

(*Vitex macrophylla*)

Last summer and early fall no plant in our nursery created more favorable comment than this new, blue-flowering shrub. Its sprightly green foliage makes it a handsome plant even when not in bloom; the blooming period extends from late summer until cut down by frosts in October. More dwarf and hardier than the older *Vitex agnus-castus*; grows about 4 ft. high, and must be planted in the sun.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.00 each;

or 3 for \$2.50 Postpaid

## Butterflybush, Ile de France

(*Buddleia*)

Long nodding spikes of dark claret-purple. Sometimes called the "Summer Lilac". Comes up to about 4 ft. every summer.

Strong 2 Year Plants \$0.65 each;  
3 for \$1.80, Postpaid.

## Butterflybush, Fortune.

Patent No. 206. A dwarf, neat-growing variety with perfectly rounded flower panicles. Plants from 2¼ in. pots at the same price as for Ile de France.



*The Vitex takes its color from the sky*



# For Summer Bloom

## Tube Neillia

(Neillia sinensis).

A very unusual shrub, both for its pink "tube" shaped flowers in June, and the deeply toothed leaves of reddish-brown. Gives an interesting and colorful contrast to the shrub border. We predict its greater importance when better known. Perfectly hardy at Rochester.

**2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.35 each;  
3 for \$3.35 Postpaid.**



*Neillia—a decorative lusty shrub, flowering like the Trailing Arbutus.*

## Tree Spirea

(Sorbaria arborea glabrata).

This rare but easy-to-grow shrub has made more friends for us than any other we have listed. It was discovered by the late Dr. E. H. Wilson during his explorations of the China-Thibetan borderland. Growth is rapid, and it blooms unfailingly the first year after planting; tiny, creamy-white flowers borne in immense, compact sprays closely resembling the herbaceous Astilbe.

The gracefully poised, compound foliage makes the Tree Spirea an excellent screen or "filler" in the shrub border, and it is unrivaled in beauty of habit as a specimen. Blooms steadily from the middle of July to the middle of September, and is adaptable to almost any soil, partial shade or sun.

**3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$0.85 each; 3 for \$2.00 F. O. B. Piqua  
5 to 6 ft. Plants, \$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.00 F. O. B. Piqua**



*The true Tree Spirea*



# A Garden of Fragrance

## Fragrant May-bush (*Viburnum carlesi*)

The rare and unexpected clove-like fragrance of this "Carles' Jewel" permeates the garden during late May and June. A rich pink in the bud, the flowers are pure white when fully open, and waxy in texture. This is a real aristocrat which will never be "cheap". A shrub of broad, round habit, growing slowly to 4 or 5 ft.; likes the sun and soil not too dry. Our plants carry many bloom buds and heavy, fibrous root systems; ball of earth 25c extra if desired, and which assures bloom the first year.

**12 to 18 in. Plants, \$1.00 each, Postpaid.**  
**2 ft. Plants, \$1.25 each, F. O. B. Piqua**  
**2½ ft. Plants, \$1.75 each, F. O. B. Piqua**  
**Sweetshrub** (*Calycanthus floridus*).

The chocolate-brown flowers you picked as a child and carried to school in your handkerchief, or which you bottled for their perfume.

**2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.50 each.**

## Sweetspire (*Itea virginica*).

An old-fashioned, Summer-flowering shrub with fragrant, white star-like flowers in terminal whorls. Foliage turns red in Autumn; grows about 4 ft. **18-24 in. Plants, \$0.75 ea.**

## Summersweet (*Clethra alnifolia*).

Delightful white spikes of spicy fragrance; blooms throughout the Summer. Grows 4 to 5 ft. and likes damp, semi-shade. **18-24 in. Plants, \$0.65 each.**

## Sweet-scented Mockorange (*Philadelphus lemoinei erectus*).

Single creamy-white flowers; the most fragrant of all Mockoranges, and scarce. A neat, upright grower. **Strong 3 ft. Plants, \$0.75 each. Above Prices Postpaid.**



*The orange-pink buds of the fragrant May-bush open into lovely pink flowers changing to white*



## French Mockoranges (*Philadelphus*)

**Albatre.** Splendid for foundation plantings, growing 4 to 6 ft. high. Slender branches are weighted down with deliciously scented white flowers (double, sometimes semi-double).

**Dame Blanc.** Resembles Albatre except more dwarf. Creamy-white, very fragrant, semi-double flowers.

**Norma.** An erect bush to 8 ft., superior for its thick foliage. The long branches are studded with small clusters of extra large, single white flowers.

**Virginal.** One of Lemoine's finest Mockoranges. A tall, narrow grower to 8 ft., bearing in June and intermittently throughout the summer and fall superb clusters of large, semi-double flowers of sweetest fragrance.

**2 to 3 ft. Plants of any of the above, \$0.50 each, or Three for \$1.35**  
**3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$0.65 each**

**F. O. B. Piqua**

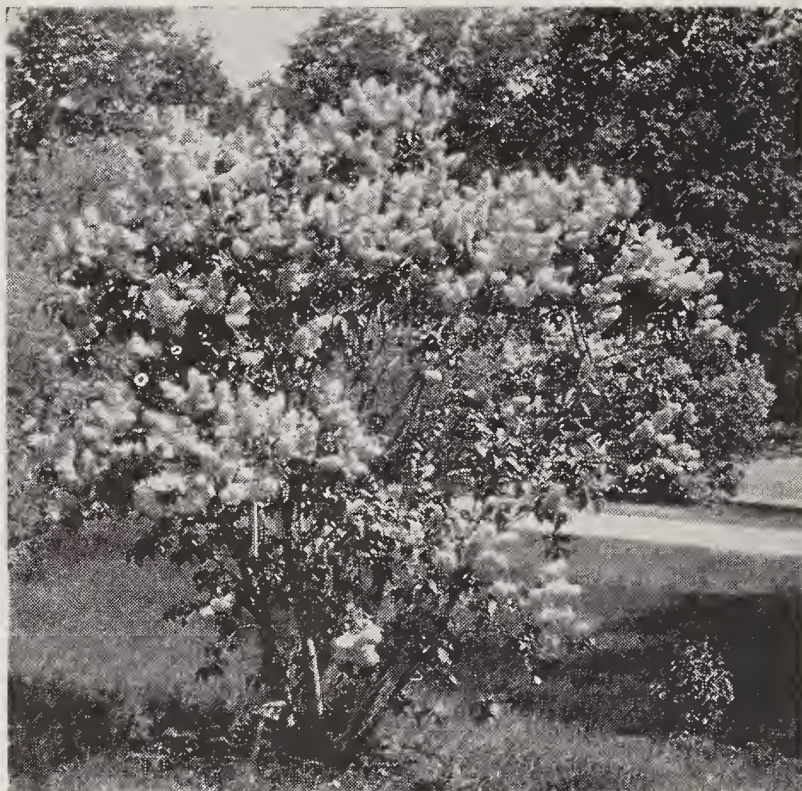


# Garden of Fragrance

## French Hybrid Lilacs

**On own roots.** We emphasize this fact because you will have no trouble with "wild upshoots" as with the cheaper grafted kind. The following varieties cover the complete color range for both the double and single forms. And remember that the French Hybrid Lilacs bloom when only 2 ft. high. Lilacs should be set out very early in the Spring, or any time in the fall.

**2 to 3 ft. Plants, (your selection)  
\$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.50 Postpaid.**



*French Hybrid Lilac*

### Double Varieties

**Alphonse Laval**, violet-blue.

**Charles Joly**, reddish purple, the darkest.

**Leon Gambetta**, beautiful pinkish-lilac.

**Mme. Lemoine**, creamy-white, large compact trusses.

### Single Varieties

**Hugo Koster**, large bluish-violet.

**Mme. F. Morel**, magenta-lilac, largest bloom of all.

**Reamur**, satiny, reddish-violet.

**Vestale**, pure white, hyacinth form.

## Rose Daphne (Daphne cneorum)

A dwarf evergreen shrub which deserves its beautiful name. The rosy-lilac flowers have the fragrance of the Jasmine, making a lavish appearance in April and May, and on and off during the summer; the spreading branches leave a glossy-green trail. Prefers a sunny location in the Rock Garden, and well drained neutral soil. Extra heavy plants dug with a ball of earth.

**6 to 9 in. at \$0.75; or 3 for \$2.00 F. O. B. Piqua**

**9 to 12 in. at \$1.25; or 3 for \$3.25 F. O. B. Piqua**



*Rose Daphne has the fragrance of the Jasmine*



# Garden of Fragrance

## Sweet Bay or Laurel Magnolia (*Magnolia glauca*)

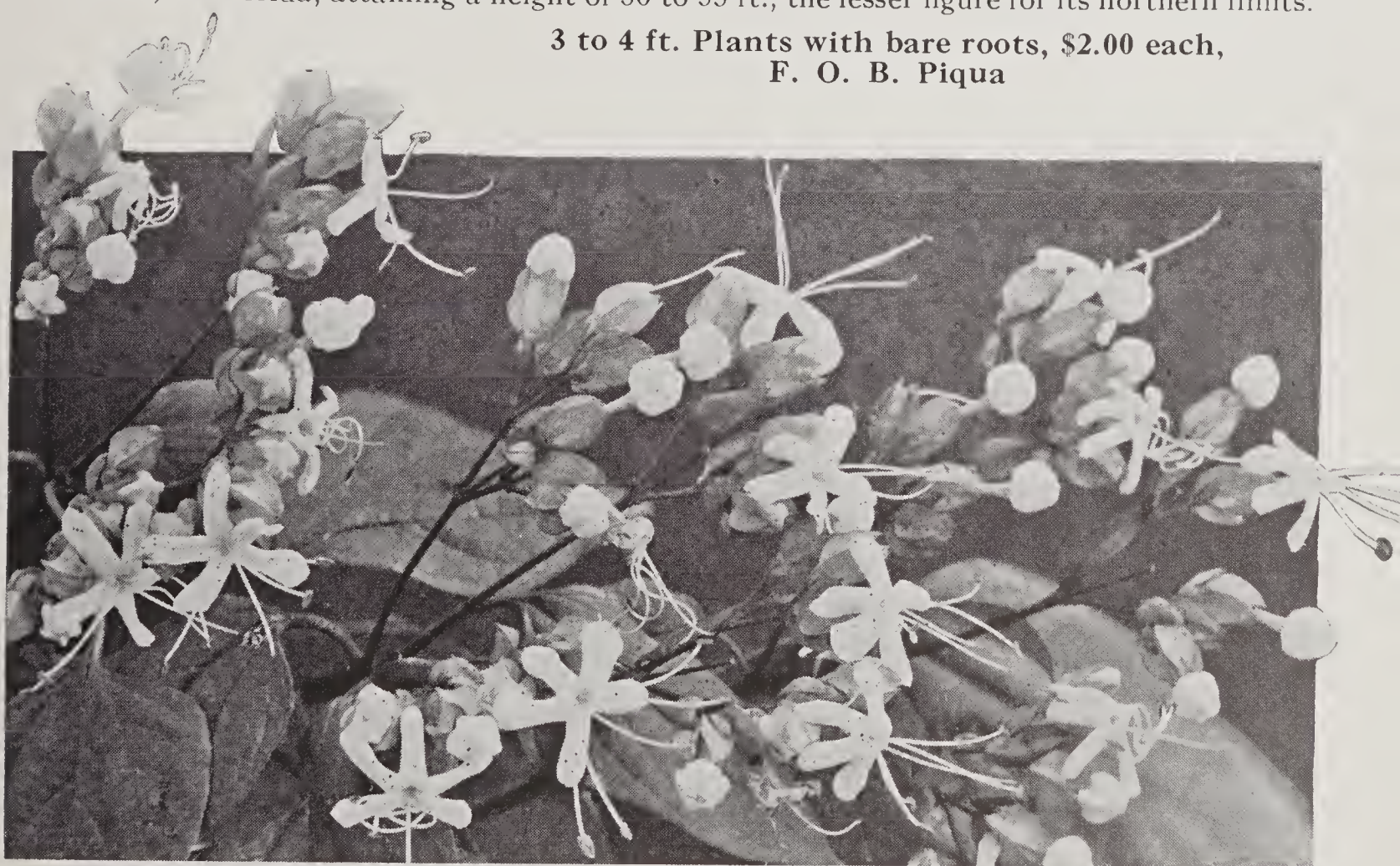
The flowers resemble giant Gardenias in shape and fragrance, opening a rich cream color and gradually acquiring a pale apricot tint. Unlike the Chinese Magnolias this excellent small shrubby tree (6 to 8 ft. in North, taller in South) blooms in the month of July. The rich glossy-green, almost ever-green foliage is glaucous beneath, giving the whole a silvery sheen. The beauty of the Laurel Magnolia continues throughout the year: in Autumn its red-jacketed fruit opens to the waiting Birds, and then until Spring again we see its cheerful apple-green stems. Thrives in any damp, sunny location. Hardy Ohio grown plants, **dug with a ball of earth.**

**Bushy 2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$2.25 each; 3 for \$5.50**  
**3 to 4 ft. \$3.00 each, F. O. B. Piqua**



**Bigleaf Magnolia** (*Magnolia macrophylla*) *The summer-flowering Laurel Magnolia*  
A very unusual variety because of its large tropical leaves, averaging 18 in. long and wide in proportion. In late June, safe from frosts, fragrant, creamy-white flowers open cup-like, 10 to 11 in. across, and distinguished by a purplish eye. Hardy from Pennsylvania (20° below) to Florida, attaining a height of 30 to 55 ft., the lesser figure for its northern limits.

**3 to 4 ft. Plants with bare roots, \$2.00 each,**  
**F. O. B. Piqua**




## Harlequin Glorybower (*Clerodendron trichotomum*)

Star-shaped, sweet-scented, pure white blossoms in large clusters which contrast beautifully against the reddish calyces. The blooming period commences in late August in this climate, continuing for about a month, and followed by brilliant peacock-blue fruits displayed against the scarlet bracts. All summer long the branches are heavily clothed with heart-shaped leaves, making this shrub a new acquisition of great merit. Does well in half shade and ordinarily does not exceed 10 ft. in height, or can be cut to the ground for an annual growth of 4 to 5 ft.

**18 to 24 in. Plants, \$1.00 each, or 3 for \$2.50 Postpaid.**

**Heavy 4 to 5 ft. Plants, \$1.75 each, F. O. B. Piqua.**





Pink and orange fruits  
dangle on the bare  
branches of the Tall-  
bush Bittersweet in  
winter

Berried Shrubs which  
attract the Birds and  
brighten the Winter  
Landscape

## Bird Attractors

### Euonymus

#### Tall-bush Bittersweet (*Euonymus europaeus*)

A selected type for heavy fruiting qualities; the fruits are very similar to those of the Bittersweet Vine and borne in great profusion. It is a tall, narrow bush with handsome deep green foliage; attains a height of 8 to 10 ft., and thrives in shade or sun.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.75 each; 3 for \$1.90 Postpaid

3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.60 Postpaid

Plants one foot higher than ordered will be furnished if you pay transportation.

#### Cork-barked Euonymus (*E. alatus*).

The twigs are adorned by broad wings of cork-bark, most unusual and decorative, especially in winter. In the fall it is illuminated by baby lantern-like berries, and by October the leaves have turned to a gorgeous crimson-red.

2 to 3 ft. Bushy Plants, \$0.75 each; 3 for \$1.90 Postpaid

Extra Heavy 4 ft. Plants, \$0.85 each; 3 for \$2.25 F. O. B. Piqua

#### Yeddo Euonymus (*E. yedoensis*).

A new shrub of fine character that is adaptable to almost any soil. The foliage takes on a particular brilliance in autumn, and as the season advances the fruits burst open, displaying scarlet berries against pink husks. Upright to 10 ft.

Strong 2½ to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.00 each; 2 for \$1.85 Postpaid

### Bird Attractor Offer No. 8

#### One—Alpine Current (*Ribes alpinum*).

A low growing ornamental variety especially adapted to dry, shady places; greenish yellow flowers followed by **scarlet berries**. 2 to 3 ft. Plant.....\$ .60

#### One—Arrowwood (*Viburnum dentatum*).

An excellent foliage shrub, especially for damp or shady places; upright growth to 10 ft. **Blue-black berries** ripen in August and September. 2 to 3 ft. Plant....\$ .50

#### One—Brilliant Winterberry (*Ilex verticillata*).

A deciduous Holly which grows to 8 ft. and thrives in partial shade or low marshy places (does not like lime). Its brilliant **red berries** last from September to January. 2 to 3 ft. Plant.....\$ .60

#### One—Spicebush (*Benzoin aestivale*).

A native of the damp places in our woods, whose bright green stems and foliage yield a spicy fragrance and **red fruits** in October. 2 to 3 ft. Plant.....\$ .60

#### One—Tall-bush Bittersweet (*Euonymus europaeus*). See above.

Pink and orange fruits. 2 to 3 ft. Plant.....\$ .75

#### One—Wayfaring Bird-bush (*Viburnum lantana*). See Page 16.

Red fruit turning black. 2 to 3 ft. Plant.....\$ .75

**Six Plants in All—A \$8.30 value for \$3.00 Postpaid** \$3.80

Or we will furnish all 3 to 4 ft. plants if you pay the transportation.



# Bird Attractors

## White Fringe

(*Chionanthus virginica*)

Make your garden distinctive by planting this easy-to-grow tree-like shrub. The white, fringe-like blossoms literally cover the whole bush at the time your Tall Bearded Iris are blooming, forming an exquisite background for their lavender and purple coloring. The purple plum-like fruits are quickly eaten by the birds. Blooms when only 3 ft. tall; and grows to 12 ft.; thrives under city conditions and is not affected by insects or disease.



*White Fringe*

1½ to 2 ft. Plants, \$0.90 each, or Two for \$1.50, Postpaid  
2 to 3 ft. Bushy Plants, \$1.00 each, F. O. B. Piqua  
3 to 4 ft. Bushy Plants, \$1.25 each, " "

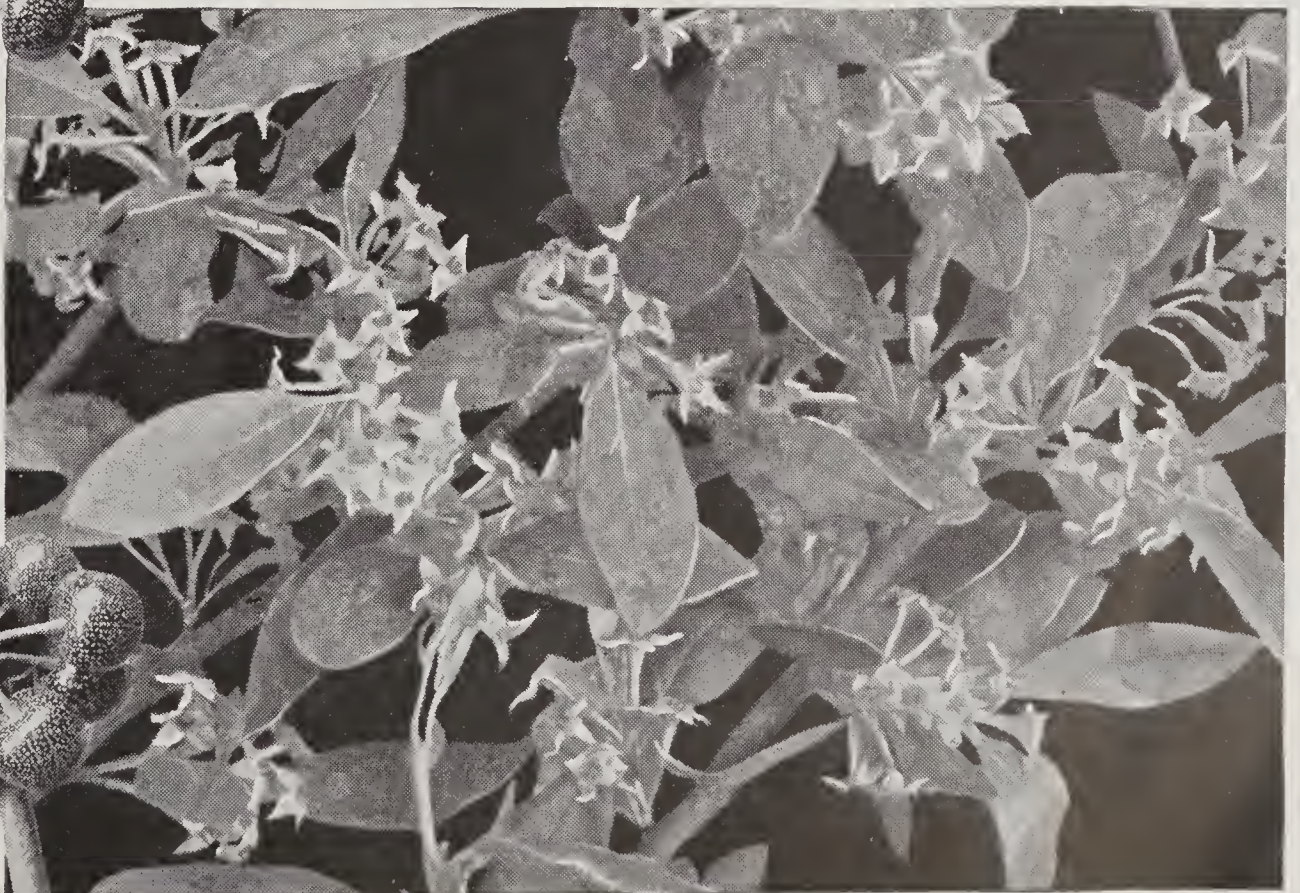
## Autumn Oleaster

(*Elaeagnus umbellata*)

If the birds had their way they would call this their "Christmas Dinner"; they will strip the berries off of this plant at Christmas time, and you will enjoy watching them feed. The grayish green leaves look as if they had been coated with aluminum dust.

This is a shrub that can be planted and forgotten, as it "fixes" nitrogen from the air by means of nodules on its roots and is therefore able to flourish by means of its own labor without troublesome fertilizing of the soil. It enjoys full sunlight and will grow 8 to 10 ft. high. As it does not spread much, it can easily be inserted in the background of other shrubs. Grows well in sandy as well as clay soil, and resists drought.

3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$0.85 each; 3 for \$2.25 F. O. B. Piqua.



*The salmon-pink berries of the Oleaster are incrustated with silver  
The foliage and flowers are both attractive*



# Bird Attractors

## October Bouquet

Rather late for a bouquet in this climate, but not if you plant **Glossy Autumnberry** (*Ligustrum vulgaris*) and **Tree Spirea** (*Sorbaria arborea glabrata*—See page 10). The clusters of jet-black Autumnberries nestled in the immense, creamy-white sprays of Tree Spirea will thrill even the most sophisticated. We also cherish Glossy Autumnberry for its little white flowers in the Spring, and the fact that it is one of our very best shrubs for **dry, shady locations**—even likes tree roots. Makes a tall, fairly narrow shrub; can be used as an accent on either side of your front steps in the foundation planting; it never disappoints.

One "October Bouquet"  
(2 plants) 2 to 3 ft. \$1.25

3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$1.50 Postpaid  
Four "Bouquets" for the  
price of 3.



*The October Bouquet*

## American Cranberrybush (*Viburnum americanum*).

Different from its cousin the Wayfaring Bird-bush in that its translucent, orange-red fruit borne in flat, terminal clusters are not eaten by the birds (though not poisonous). These berries remain until Spring, a beautiful sight when the snow is on the ground. Grows to 8 ft., and should be used as a tall natural growing hedge or background shrub. Bushy plants, many still holding their berries. Priced at bottom of page.

## Kentucky Viburnum (*Viburnum molle*).

Differs from *V. lantana* (below) chiefly in that the leaves are longer and toothed, and the habit more dwarf. The blue-black berries are quickly eaten by the Birds.

## Wayfaring Bird-bush (*Viburnum lantana*). See illustration below.

William Falconer, greatest Plantsman of his day, considered this one of our best shrubs. Its soft, heavy foliage is a dark, grayish green, reaching to the ground; the clusters of white flowers in early May are followed by red fruit turning black as it ripens, and which



the birds strip until they are gone (about Sept. 1st). Stands dry, hot weather, and grows 10 to 15 ft. high.

Prices for the above 3 Viburnums

2 to 3 ft. Plants,  
\$0.60; 2 for \$1.00

3 to 4 ft. extra  
heavy Plants,  
\$0.75 each,  
3 for \$1.00.

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(Left) Dinner for  
wayfaring birds



# Small Flowering Trees

## Yellow-wood

(*Cladrastis lutea*).

Huge, swinging panicles of snow-white flowers a foot long make this tree gay in June. The leaves resemble the Ash, measuring up to 19 in. long; altogether it is an impressive and shapely lawn tree with a short gray trunk like the Beech. The wood yields a yellow dye.

**4 to 5 ft. Trees, \$1.65 each,**

**F. O. B. Piqua**



*The huge, swinging panicles of snow-white flowers of the Yellow-wood is a sight not to be forgotten*

## Russian-olive.

(*Elaeagnus angustifolia*).

The wild Olive of the Greek Authors.

Upright, narrow growth to 15 ft., or

can be kept trimmed as a hedge.

The silvery-gray foliage lightens up

dark masses, and fragrant inconspicuous pale yellow blooms attracts droves of butterflies.

**2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.50 each; 3 to 4 ft., \$0.65 each, Postpaid.**

Plants one foot higher will be furnished if you pay transportation.

## Kentucky Coffee Tree ( *Gymnocladus dioica*).

Immense compound leaves on thick, knarled branches, giving a deceptive picture of age.

The seeds from the 6 to 8 in. brown pods were used in Revolutionary days for coffee.

Slow growing to 40 ft.

**4 to 5 ft. Trees, \$1.75 each, F. O. B. Piqua**

## Paul Double Scarlet Hawthorn (*Crataegus oxyacantha splendens*)

A friendly little tree whose double scarlet flowers borne like closely nested nosegays bring cheer for many weeks in May. The leaves are quaintly curved and the habit of the tree neat and upright.

**4 to 5 ft. Trees nicely branched, \$1.75 each, F. O. B. Piqua**

## Japanese Rose-flowering Cherry (*Kofugen*)

The crimson buds open into double, deep pink flowers that blend into old rose. Just enough of the purplish or red foliage is visible at the time of bloom to heighten the effect. An outstanding variety that can be used in even the smallest garden.

**3 to 4 ft. Trees, \$1.25 each,**

**F. O. B. Piqua**

## American Redbud

(*Cercis canadensis*).

We are listing this because it is our most beautiful native tree, and because nursery grown plants have the proper kind of roots for transplanting. A cloud of rosy-pink pea-shaped flowers at the time the Dogwoods are blooming.

**4 to 5 ft. Trees, \$0.85 each,**

**F. O. B. Piqua**



*The enthralling blossoms of the Rose-flowering Cherry*



# Long-Cluster Goldenchain

(Laburnum vossi)

## The Thrill of Thrills—

Just as the Lilacs are finishing it lets down its gorgeous yellow racemes, **like flowing gold**, and out of all proportion to the size of the plant. Even the sophisticated nurseryman will "walk a mile" to see one in bloom.

Commencing as a little tree studded with heavy buds Long-cluster Goldenchain soon branches out into a vase-shaped tree and ordinarily will not reach a height of over 12 ft. Plant it in a somewhat protected place, as an accent shrub or lawn tree like the Magnolia.

This variety is hardier, the flowers larger than the common Laburnum vulgare. Because of being scarce and high-priced very few plants have been planted in this country,—but it is an old favorite in Europe. The branched specimens offered below are extra heavy this year, but it may be necessary to limit the number to a customer.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$1.85 each; 3 for \$ 5.00

3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$2.35 each; 3 for \$ 6.00

4 to 5 ft. Plants, \$3.85 each; 3 for \$10.50

Branched specimens, 6 to 8 ft., \$6.85 each

F. O. B. Piqua



The Goldenchain  
looks like a Yellow  
Wisteria

# Wisteria

## Tree-shaped or Standards

The Japanese Wisteria (*W. multijuga*) surpasses in beauty the common Chinese Wisteria (*W. sinensis*), bearing longer and more richly colored flower clusters, and blooming **before** the leaves appear. Our plants are grafted from blooming plants so that they are sure to bloom for you and come true to color. Branches start about 4 ft. from the ground and orders for 2 or more will be matched.

These Standards are well established, the only special care necessary being the support of the trunk for the first few years with a slender stake, and the pinching back of the twining ends. Do not use nitrogenous plant food.

**Pink Japanese Wisteria** (*Wisteria multijuga rosea*). A genuine pink in beautiful long clusters.

**White Japanese Wisteria.** (*W. m. alba*).

**Double Violet Japanese Wisteria** (*Wisteria floribunda violacea-plena*). See illustration on page 21.

**Longcluster Japanese Wisteria** (*Wisteria multijuga longissima*). Light purple flowers in astonishingly long clusters, 3 to 4 ft. on established plants.

Plants, \$8.75 each; 2 at \$7.75;  
4 or more at \$7.30 each,  
F. O. B. Piqua



Standard Wisteria



# Small Flowering Trees

## Fragrant Snowbell (*Styrax obassia*)

This rare Japanese plant has flowers of purest white, arranged in racemes 4 to 6 in. long, and blossoming early in June; anthers are clear yellow. The bold foliage (leaves are 5 to 9 in. long, and nearly as broad), dark green above and silver gray beneath, alone makes this an outstanding novelty in any garden or shrub border; but its fragrant, pendant-like flowers make it indispensable. Grows into a shapely specimen, as high as 18 ft. in Boston, where it is absolutely hardy.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, tree-form, dug with ball of earth, \$1.85 each.

4 to 5 ft. Plants, \$2.85 each,  
F. O. B. Piqua



A glimpse of Fragrant Snowbell, the new Japanese wonder plant

## Doubleflowering White Dogwood (*Cornus florida plena*).

More beautiful than the common single flowering, both in flower and foliage: flowers are larger and semi-double, closely resembling the Camellia; foliage is heavier and of a lighter shade of green. Be the first to plant this in your vicinity.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, with ball of earth, \$2.85 each

3 to 4 ft. Plants, \$3.85 each,  
F. O. B. Piqua

## Contrasting Dogwoods

Let the brilliant colored bark of these two shrubs enliven your shrub planting during the dull winter months. For the best effect set out at least three of each, in a sunny place if possible, and not too dry. The other good attributes are foamy flowers in Spring, followed by porcelain-like berries,

**Coral Dogwood** (*Cornus alba sibirica*). Vivid coral-red bark.

**Golden-twig Dogwood** (*C. stolonifera lutea*). Bright yellow bark.

3 to 4 ft. Plants; \$0.60 each;  
or 3 of each (6 plants) for \$3.00  
F. O. B. Piqua

## Goldenrain-tree

(*Koelreuteria paniculata*)

No tree in this climate puts on a greater show; large panicles of rich yellow blossoms on the end of every branch, with a background of dark green pinnate foliage. Comes to a full bloom in July, when shrub or tree bloom is rare, and seldom grows over 25 ft. Thrives under city conditions.

4 to 5 ft. Trees, \$1.00,  
5 to 6 ft. Trees, \$1.45 each,  
F. O. B. Piqua



The Goldenrain-tree in full dress parade



# Flowering Vines

## Giant Chinese Trumpet Vine

(*Bignonia radicans* var. Mme. Galen)

Exquisite! Gorgeous! The comment you will make whether you find this superb Vine in the most unpretentious garden or in the most sophisticated garden. Immense, deep terra-cotta red flowers in panicles 14 to 16 in. long; attaches itself to walls by little pads on its growths.

**3 Year field grown, blooming size Plants,  
\$1.65 each, or 3 for 4.25 Postpaid.**

## Large Flowering Clematis

June is the month of the large flowering Clematis, a lavish two weeks show of bloom followed by occasional flowers throughout the summer and early fall. The full beauty of this plant is exemplified in the following four varieties.



*The bloom you can expect the first year from Mme. Galen*



*The large flowering Clematis, Ramona*

**Duchess of Edinburgh.** Pure double white blooms of exquisite delicacy, measuring 4 in. across.

**Montana var. Undulata.** Mauve-pink blooms of fine substance, measuring 2½—3 in. across. Blooms in May on old wood; dark green waxy leaves. Grows 15 to 25 ft.

**Mme. Edouard Andre.** Reddish-carmine flowers in great profusion, 3½—4 in. An unusual color, turning cerise under artificial light.

**Ramona.** Clear sky-blue with silky overlay; our favorite color.

**Strong 2 Year Plants,  
Your Selection, \$0.85 each;  
3 for \$2.25 Postpaid**

## Golden Yellow Clematis

A new late-summer blooming variety which is very prolific after becoming established. A limited supply of well rooted plants from 2½ in. pots.

**\$1.50 each, Postpaid.**

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## Cultural Requirements

Clematis should have the full sun the greater part of the day, though the roots like to be shaded. The proper soil is a well drained, light loam; for beneficial results add a spadeful of horticultural limestone or slaked lime to a wheelbarrow load of soil, and mulch annually with rotted manure. Never permit Clematis to suffer for lack of water. It has no insect enemies or diseases.



# Flowering Vines

## Chinese Fleecevine

(Polygonum auberti)

*An outstanding vine with many good points.*

1. A rapid grower; the delicate, silvery-white flowers resembling fleece appear the first year.

2. A luxuriant vine; the deep green foliage completely covers all trellis framework.

3. Has clean habits; in winter no clinging dead leaves, nor shaggy bark to collect dirt. Does not rust, mildew or blight.

4. Easy to grow; thrives where it receives sun only half the day, and in downtown city atmosphere.

**Strong 2 year Plants**

**\$0.75 each;  
3 for \$1.75 Postpaid.**



*The Chinese Fleecevine at its height in September*



*The Double Violet Wisteria are truly double Violets*

## Climbing Wisteria

A very complete listing of the new and beautiful Japanese varieties, strong 2 to 3 year field grown plants. These require no different care than the common Chinese variety, and the method of grafting induces early flowering.

**Pink.** Long clusters of lovely pink.  
**\$1.85 each; 2 for \$3.25**

**Silky White** (venusta). Short clusters of glistening white; very fragrant.  
**\$2.35 each; 2 for \$4.00**

**Double Violet** (See illustration).  
**\$2.65 each; 2 for \$5.00**

**Longcluster.** Light purple.  
**\$2.65 each; 2 for \$5.00**

**Mrs. McCullagh.** Large purple flowers in compact clusters; bushy.  
**\$2.65 each; 2 for \$5.00**

**Jako.** White, very fragrant.  
**\$3.35 each; 2 for \$5.75**

**Kyushaku.** Purple 3 to 4 ft. flowers.  
**\$3.35 each; 2 for \$5.75**

**Above Prices are Postpaid.**





## Evergreen Bittersweet

(*Euonymus radicans vegetus*).

An excellent two-purpose plant: if kept away from supports or a wall it makes a compact dwarf shrub or hedge; if allowed to climb as a vine it will reach a height of 12 to 15 ft. The thick, broad shiny green leaves are very decorative, most of which stay on throughout the winter; in the fall it bears brilliant Bittersweet Berries.

2 year Plants, \$0.50 each; or \$4.00 per doz. Postpaid

4 year Plants, \$0.75 each; or \$7.50 per doz. F. O. B. Piqua

**Old-fashioned Blue Wisteria, Climbing.** This is the more common Chinese (*sinensis*) variety. You may have one or more of these in your yard which have never bloomed, and may never bloom, for the reason that they are seedlings. Our plants are grafted from blooming plants and will bloom as soon as established.

3 Year Field Grown Plants, \$1.00 each; or 2 for \$1.70 Postpaid.

**Trumpet Honeysuckle** (*Lonicera heckrotti*). Trumpet-shaped, coral-red flowers, blooming all summer. Use as a prostrate shrub in the Rock Garden or as a vine for the trellis.

2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.50 each; 3 for \$1.25 Postpaid.



*Mammoth Flowering Mallow Marvel.*

## Mallow Marvels

### Leonard's Mammoth Flowering

These splendid hardy perennials are admirably suited to America's hot summers; their gorgeous blooms, as big as dinner plates, come in a wide range of colors. We have paid particular attention to selection, and recommend our strain very highly. Grow 4½ to 5½ ft. high, and will bloom the first season—from mid-July until September. Not bothered by insect pests, and will remain for years in one place if given a little fertilizer each Spring.

Furnished in 6 colors

White with Pink Center  
Pink with Red Veins  
Light Pink      Red  
Dark Pink      Crimson

3 Plants for \$1.25

6 Plants for \$2.00

Postpaid.



## Christmas Rose

(Helleborus niger).

A plant which flowers from November until March is bound to win your greatest admiration. Single white flowers, which will push their way up through the snow in great clusters; the petals are flushed pink and set with yellowish-green stamens; heavy evergreen foliage.

The Christmas Rose likes a good, moderately heavy, well-drained loam, rich in humus. Place at the edge of shrubbery where they will be protected from the sun, yet get plenty of light and not be disturbed.

**3 Year Clumps, \$1.00 each; or 3 for \$2.50 Postpaid.**



*Christmas Rose peeping from the snow*

## Dwarf Tritoma (Kniphofia rufa)

A dainty little Tritoma or Red-hot Poker Plant which starts blooming in June and continues until frost, yellowish-orange flowers. **Plants, \$0.35 each; 3 for \$1.00 Postpaid.**

## Painted Daisy

or the Double Pyrethrum

The most outstanding Perennial for cut flowers and garden display that has been introduced in recent years. The **double variety** is just as hardy as the single variety and will produce equally as many flowers to the plant; and by cutting back the faded flowers the bloom will continue throughout the summer. Beautiful fern-like foliage.

**Trojan**, the earliest. Crimson-red with an extra row of single petals.

**Buckeye**, also in bloom for Decoration Day. Carmine flowers, perfect double bloom.

**Miami Queen**, follow first week in June. Large semi-double pink, very striking.

**Florence Shadley**, the last to bloom. Exquisite delicate pink. **Three Plants, your choice, dug with ball of earth, \$1.25 Postpaid**

## Hardy Begonia

(Begonia evansiana).

A tuberous-rooted Begonia from China and Japan which has proven absolutely hardy here at Piqua. Bears typical Begonia leaves, red underneath, and throughout the Summer and Fall large flesh-colored flowers. Grows 15 to 18 in. and prefers a rich, porous soil and partial or full shade. Plant this unusual plant in the shady part of your Rock Garden, along your shrub or evergreen border, or along the north side of your porch. **8 to 10 in. Plants from 2½ in. Pots, \$0.40 each; 3 for \$1.00 Postpaid.**



*Florence Shadley and Buckeye*





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## Rugosa Rose

(Rosa Rugosa)

These handsome fruits begin to appear in August and last until midwinter. And yes, in-

deed, it has pretty blossoms too; large single flowers of soft crepe-like texture, fragrant and rather fleeting. The color varies through shades of pink, magenta, and rosy-crimson; blooms very early and continues until Autumn. Plant it among the shrubbery, as a hedge, or as a specimen plant. Very hardy, needing no protection.

**2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.50 each,  
or 3 for \$1.25 Postpaid**

*The large bright scarlet fruit or "hips" of the Rugosa Rose form a charming contrast to its dark green foliage.*

**Red-leaved Rose** (Rosa rubrifolia). Slender purplish branches which become spangled with tiny, vivid pink flowers, and followed by red fruit. **2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.75 each, Postpaid.**

## Silverbell

(Halesia tetraptera)

A large growing shrub which clothes itself to the ground so as to never present a "leggy" appearance. In May the branches are loaded down with pendulous blooms (see illustration on opposite page); and the splendid green foliage is retained throughout the season. Does not require pruning, has no insect enemies, thrives in partial shade or full sun.

**Heavy 2 to 3 ft. Plants, \$0.75 each;  
2 for \$1.35 Postpaid (to 4th Zone).**



*Silverbell has the delicate poise of the cherished single Snowdrop of our garden.*

## A Special List for Southern Gardens.

|                       |                     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Brilliant Goldenbell  | Oak-leaf Hydrangea  |
| Butterflybush         | Rose-flow. Cherry   |
| Climbing Hydrangea    | Rose of Sharon      |
| English Rock Broom    | Showy Pearl-bush    |
| Flowering Jap. Quince | Shrubby St. J. Wort |
| Fragrant Snowbell     | Silverbell          |
| Fragrant May-bush     | Single Blue Althea  |
| Goldenchain           | Spring Debutante    |
| Goldenrain-tree       | Springscent         |
| Harlequin Glorybower  | Trumpet Creeper     |
| Heavenly Blue Vitex   | Tube Neillia        |
| Japanese Wisteria     | White Fringe        |
| Large Fl. Clematis    | Winter Jasmine      |
| Laurel Magnolia       | Wintersweet         |
| Mt. Stewartia         | Yellow-wood         |

**English Rock Broom** (Genista tinctoria). A dwarf shrub which is literally covered with bright yellow flowers in June when you need bloom in the Rock Garden, or makes a beauty spot of that dry, sunny bank where nothing else will grow.

**Three Year Plants, \$0.75 each; 3 for \$2.00 Postpaid.**

## Large Specimen Plants

Throughout the Booklet we have indicated nice transplanting sizes, but if you are anxious for immediate effect we can furnish larger specimen plants at attractive prices.

## For Garden Accent---to Lift Your Garden from the Common-place.

|                           |                          |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Autumn Oleaster           | Cornelian Cherry         |
| Doubleflowering White     | Dogwood                  |
| Flowering Crab            | Fragrant May-bush        |
| Fragrant Snowbell         | Japanese Tree Lilac      |
| Laurel Magnolia           | Long-cluster Goldenchain |
| Red-leaved Japanese Maple |                          |
| Rose-flowering Cherry     | Single Blue Althea       |
| Spring Debutante          | Standard Wisteria        |
| Tall-bush Bittersweet     | Tree Spirea              |
| Tube Neillia              | White Fringe             |